

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1018

By Pitts

A RESOLUTION to honor Karen Franklin on her receipt of the 2018 Senator Douglas Henry Award from the University of Tennessee College of Social Work.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Karen Franklin, who was recently presented the 2018 Senator Douglas Henry Award for Service to Children and Families at Risk by the University of Tennessee College of Social Work; and

WHEREAS, established in 2008, the Senator Douglas Henry Award for Service to Children and Families at Risk honors those individuals whose work reflects the values and dedication of the late Senator Henry, who was a tireless champion for the children and families of Tennessee and a great advocate for the social work profession; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected professional in the social work field, Ms. Franklin is the executive director of the Tennessee Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, with which organization she has been employed since 2002; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Franklin received her bachelor's degree from the University of Tennessee at Martin and her master's degree in social work from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, her extensive career includes tenures as the volunteer services director for the YWCA Shelter and Domestic Violence Program, director of the Tennessee Nonprofit Association of the Council of Community Services, and assistant director of the Tennessee Conference on Social Welfare; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her professional career, Ms. Franklin still finds time to lend her talents to such notable causes as MANNA, Inc., the Tennessee Coalition for Nursing Home Reform, the Council on Aging of Middle Tennessee, Tennesseans for Fair Taxation, and the Tennessee Task Force Against Domestic Violence, of which she was a founding member; and

WHEREAS, Karen Franklin epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to pause in our deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Kathy Franklin for her dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Karen Franklin on her receipt of the 2018 Senator Douglas Henry Award for Service to Children and Families at Risk from the University of Tennessee College of Social Work and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.